

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS, COMPLETE LISTING OF CLAIMS
IN ASCENDING ORDER WITH STATUS INDICATOR

Please amend the following claims as indicated.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a massage program having a plurality of massage stages with different massage parameters in a massage machine for providing a massage according to said massage program, said method comprising the steps of storing a change in massage parameter performed in a desired massage stage during an execution of said massage program in a memory, and modifying the desired massage stage according to the change in massage parameter stored in said memory at the next execution of said massage program,

wherein when a change in total time required for said massage program occurs due to the change in massage parameter in the desired massage stage, the massage parameter of another massage stage corresponding to the massage parameter changed in the desired massage parameter is changed such that said massage program is completed within a predetermined time period.

2. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein said massage machine is a chair-type massage machine having a backrest portion, in which a massage head for providing a massage action is incorporated, and said massage parameters comprises the kind of massage action, range of massage action, the number of massage actions, massage strength and massage speed.

3. (Canceled).

4. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein said memory comprises a memory table for storing a required number of massage stages having a same massage parameter, and when the desired massage stage is stored in said memory table as a result of the change in massage parameter, another massage stage stored at a predetermined position in said memory table is deleted from said memory table, and the massage parameter of said another massage stage deleted

from said memory table is changed such that said message program is completed within a predetermined time period.

5. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 2, wherein said memory comprises a memory table for storing a required number of message stages having a same number of message actions, and when the desired message stage is stored in said memory table as a result of the change in the number of message actions, another message stage stored at a predetermined position in said memory table is deleted from said memory table, and the number of message actions of said another message stage deleted from said memory table is changed such that said message program is completed within a predetermined time period.

6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim 2, A method of controlling a message program having a plurality of message stages with different message parameters in a message machine for providing a message according to said message program, said method comprising the steps of storing a change in message parameter performed in a desired message stage during an execution of said message program in a memory, and modifying the desired message stage according to the change in message parameter stored in said memory at the next execution of said message program,

wherein the message parameter comprises a combination of range of message action and at least one of the kind of message action, the number of message actions, message strength and message speed,

said message program comprises a plurality of message stages having a same range of message action, and

when a change in message parameter performed in one of the message stages having the same range of message action is stored in said memory, the message stages having the same range of message action are modified in one lump according to the change in message parameter stored in said memory at the next execution of said message program.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as set forth in claim ~~2~~ 7, wherein the range of message action is parameter comprises a combination of ranges of message action in width and height directions, ~~and at least one of the kind of message action, the number of message actions, message strength and message speed,~~

~~said message program comprises a~~ wherein said plurality of message stages ~~having have~~ at least one of a same range of message action in the width direction and a same range of message action in the height direction, and

when a change in message parameter performed in one of the message stages is stored in said memory, the message stages having at least one of the same range of message action in the width direction and the same range of message action in the height direction are modified in one lump according to the change in message parameter stored in said memory at the next execution of said message program.

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Then method as set forth in claim 1~~ A method of controlling a message program having a plurality of message stages with different message parameters in a message machine for providing a message according to said message program, said method comprising the steps of storing a change in message parameter performed in a desired message stage during an execution of said message program in a memory, and modifying the desired message stage according to the change in message parameter stored in said memory at the next execution of said message program,

wherein said message parameter comprises range of message action provided by a plurality of blocks, each of which is composed of plural combinations of range of message action in a width direction and range of message action in a height direction,

wherein an optimum block is determined from said blocks by comparing according to a previously prepared predetermined correlation between the range of message action and body type body information including body weight and body height, and with the body type body information of a user to be massaged; and

one of the plural combinations of the range of massage action in the width direction and the range of massage action in the height direction is determined in said optimum block to meet the user's preference.

10. (Currently Amended) A massage machine for providing a massage according to a massage program having a plurality of massage stages with different massage parameters, said massage machine comprising:

- an input unit configured to input a change in massage parameter;
- a first memory for temporarily storing the change in massage parameter input by said input unit in a desired massage stage during an execution of said massage program;
- a second memory for storing the change in massage parameter provided from said first memory after the completion of said massage program; and
- a control unit configured to control the modify the desired massage stage at the next execution of said massage program according to the method as set forth in claim 1 ~~change in massage parameter stored in said second memory.~~

11. (Original) The massage machine as set forth in claim 10, wherein the massage machine is a chair-type massage machine having a backrest portion, in which a massage head for providing a massage action is incorporated.

12. (Currently Amended) A controller for a massage machine for providing a massage according to a massage program having a plurality of massage stages with different massage parameters, said massage machine comprising:

- a first memory for temporarily storing a change in massage parameter performed in a desired massage stage during an execution of said massage program;
- a second memory for storing the change in massage parameter provided from said first memory after the completion of said massage program; and

a control unit configured to ~~modify the desired~~ control the message stage program
according to the method as set forth in claim 1 ~~change in message parameter stored in said second~~
~~memory at the next execution of said message program,~~

wherein the controller is detachable to the massage machine, and comprises an input unit
configured to input the change in message parameter and a screen for displaying the message
parameter.